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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Docket Number (Optional)



In re Application of

MICHAEL W. MEDIN

Application Number  
09/851,602Filed  
5/9/01For System and Method for Passively  
Aligning and Coupling Optical Devices  
Group Art Unit  
2874  
Examiner  
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This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.

The requested extension and appropriate non-small-entity fee are as follows (check time period desired):

- ☐ One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)) \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2)) \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- ☒ Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)) \$ 950.00
- ☐ Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4)) \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5)) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown above is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is: \$ 475.00.

☒ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.

☐ Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.

☐ The Commissioner has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.

☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 18-1837.  
I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.

I am the ☐ applicant/inventor

☐ assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71.  
Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96).

☒ attorney or agent of record.

☐ attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34(a).  
Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34(a) \_\_\_\_\_.

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